

otherwise appropriated for material, equipment, supervision and engineering, and the employment of Indian labor in the survey, improvement, construction, and maintenance of Indian reservation roads not eligible to Government aid under the Federal Highway Act and for which no other appropriation is available, under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Approved, May 26, 1928.

CHAP. 757.—An Act Granting certain land to the congregation of Saint Joseph's Roman Catholic Church in the parish of East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Appropriations authorized for construction roads in, not eligible under Federal Highway Act, etc.
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May 26, 1928.

[S. 3620.]

[Public, No. 521.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby granted to the congregation of Saint Joseph's Roman Catholic Church in the parish of East Baton Rouge, Louisiana, all the proprietary right, title, and interest of the United States to and in that certain tract of land in the United States Reservation or Garrison Grounds in the city of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, formerly used as a grave yard or burial ground by the congregation of St. Joseph's Church of said city in the parish of East Baton Rouge, which is not included in any of the lots or streets of said city, but lies on North Street and between Uncle Sam Street and the lot of the private property of H. E. Hausey, measuring two hundred and fourteen and five-tenths American measure, on line of said Hausey, running north by a depth of four hundred and ninety-seven feet, more or less, running east to the west line of Uncle Sam Street between parallel lines, and containing approximately two and forty-five one-hundredths acres, as described in the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the disposal of a portion of the United States Military Reservation at Baton Rouge, Louisiana," approved September 30, 1890; and the Secretary of the Interior, after such survey as he may deem necessary, shall, as a further evidence of title, direct the issuance of a patent in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

Baton Rouge, La.
Patent to Saint Joseph's Roman Catholic Church for tract of land in Garrison Grounds at.
Ante, p. 595.

Description.

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SEC. 2. That the provisions "unless hereafter required by the Secretary of War for the use of the United States for military purposes" be, and it is hereby, stricken from the Act of September 30, 1890 (Twenty-sixth Statutes, page 503), and any implied conditions of reversion of title to the Government of the United States contained in said Act be, and the same are hereby, repealed, it being the purpose and intent of this Act to grant to the congregation of Saint Joseph's Roman Catholic Church of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, free from restriction, reservation, or condition, full and complete title in and to the lands described in section 1 hereof.

Former reservation for military purposes repealed.
Vol. 26, p. 503, repealed.

Complete title to the church.

Approved, May 26, 1928.

CHAP. 758.—An Act Authorizing the South Carolina and the Georgia State highway departments to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Savannah River at or near Burtons Ferry, near Sylvania, Georgia.

May 26, 1928.

[S. 4474.]

[Public, No. 522.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to promote interstate commerce, improve the postal service, and provide for military and other purposes the State highway departments of the respective States of Georgia and South Carolina, jointly and severally, or either of them, be and are hereby authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across

Savannah River.
Georgia and South Carolina may bridge, at Burtons Ferry, Ga.

Construction.
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Right to acquire real
estate, etc., for location,
approaches, etc.

Condemnation pro-
ceedings.

Tolls authorized.

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Rates of toll applied
to operation, sinking
fund, etc.

Maintenance as free
bridge, etc., after amor-
tizing costs.

Record of expendi-
tures and receipts.

Amendment.

the Savannah River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Burtons Ferry, near Sylvania, Georgia, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906, and subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act.

SEC. 2. There is hereby conferred upon the State highway departments of the respective States of Georgia and South Carolina, jointly and severally, or either of them, all such rights and powers to enter upon lands and to acquire, condemn, occupy, possess, and use real estate and other property needed for the location, construction, maintenance, and operation of such bridge and its approaches as are possessed by railroad corporations for railroad purposes or by bridge corporations for bridge purposes in the State in which such real estate or other property is situated, upon making just compensation therefor, to be ascertained and paid according to the laws of such State, and the proceedings therefor shall be the same as in the condemnation or expropriation of property for public purposes in such States.

SEC. 3. The said State highway departments of the respective States of Georgia and South Carolina, jointly and severally, or either of them, are hereby authorized to fix and charge tolls for transit over such bridge, and the rates of toll so fixed shall be the legal rates until changed by the Secretary of War under the authority contained in the Act of March 23, 1906.

SEC. 4. In fixing the rates of toll to be charged for the use of such bridge the same shall be so adjusted as to provide a fund sufficient to pay for the reasonable cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating the bridge and its approaches under economical management, and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to amortize the cost of such bridge and its approaches, including reasonable interest and financing cost, as soon as possible, under reasonable charges, but within a period of not to exceed ten years from the completion thereof. After a sinking fund sufficient for such amortization shall have been so provided, such bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of tolls, or the rates of toll shall thereafter be so adjusted as to provide a fund of not to exceed the amount necessary for the proper maintenance, repair, and operation of the bridge and its approaches under economical management. An accurate record of the cost of the bridge and its approaches, the expenditures for maintaining, repairing, and operating the same, and of the daily tolls collected shall be kept and shall be available for the information of all persons interested.

SEC. 5. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, May 26, 1928.

May 26, 1928.
[S. 4456.]
[Public, No. 523.]

CHAP. 759.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the boards of county commissioners of the counties of Escambia and Santa Rosa, in the State of Florida, to construct, maintain, and operate a free bridge across Santa Rosa Sound in the State of Florida.

Santa Rosa Sound.
Escambia and Santa
Rosa Counties, Fla.,
may construct, etc., a
free bridge across.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the boards of county commissioners of the counties of Escambia and Santa Rosa, in the State of Florida, to construct, maintain, and operate a free bridge across Santa Rosa Sound, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Deer Point in Santa Rosa County or at or near Sharp Point on Santa Rosa Island, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled